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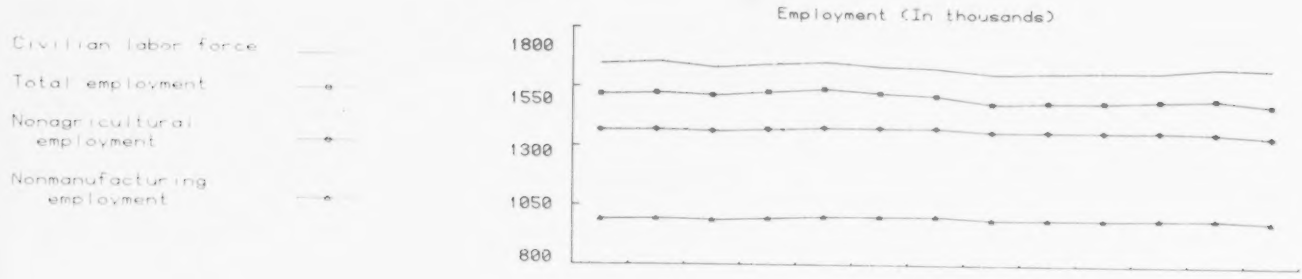

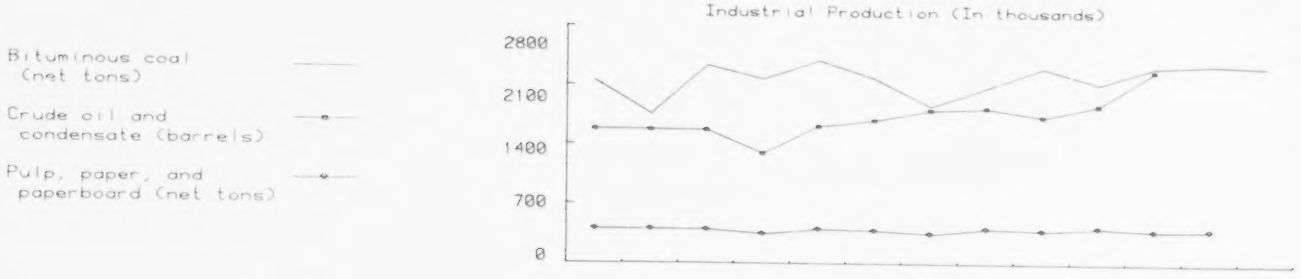

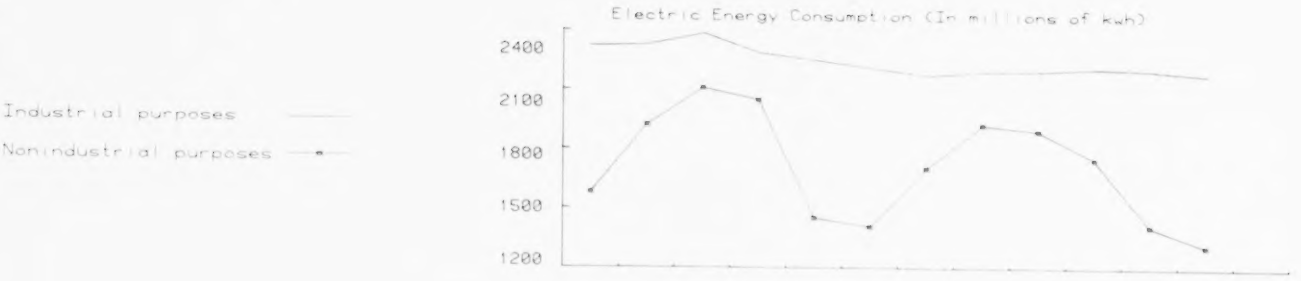

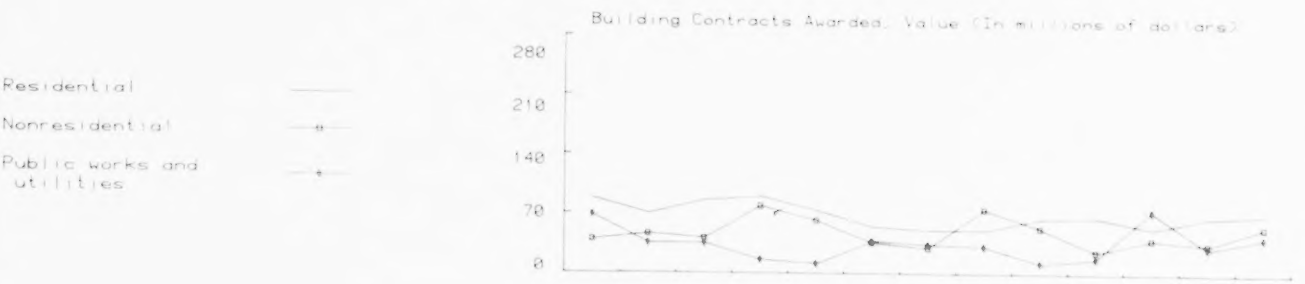

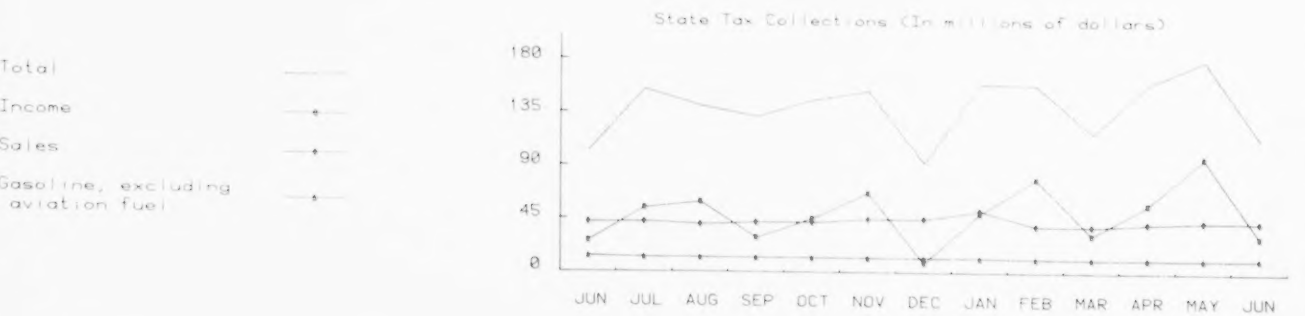

GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS FOR ALABAMA

Type of Activity	Annual		1979							1980					
	1978	1979	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June
INDUSTRIAL															
Bituminous coal production[1] (1,000 net tons)	20,110	24,833	2,150	1,756	2,335	2,172	2,393	2,184	1,855	2,082	2,312	2,125	2,330	2,363	2,336
Cement shipments (1,000 net tons)	2,837	2,667	255	209	260	177	275	218	166	163	197	169	220	208	.....
Coke production (1,000 net tons)	3,670	4,671	397	402	416	390	384	391	406	403	367	385	368	348	.....
Cotton consumption (1,000 lbs.)	412,082	394,144	32,487	27,236	35,374	30,696	38,042	32,802	30,072	31,130	35,028	35,238	35,288	35,706	.....
Crude oil and condensate production (1,000 barrels)	19,824	19,177	1,578	1,572	1,571	1,295	1,616	1,691	1,812	1,836	1,734	1,870	1,603	.....	.....
Electric energy consumption, industrial purposes (1,000,000 kwh)	27,073	28,359	2,421	2,427	2,484	2,384	2,348	2,311	2,272	2,294	2,298	2,311	2,301	2,277	.....
Pig iron production (1,000 net tons)	3,417	3,675	338	332	345	273	257	243	321	359	320	354	292	275	198
Pulp, paper, and paperboard production (1,000 net tons)	4,455	4,603	398	397	394	348	401	385	350	411	389	426	390	402	.....
Steel ingot production, adjusted index (1967 = 100)	93.1	91.6	92.7	91.2	97.5	84.0	76.2	80.1	102.7	97.9	100.9	97.7	94.1	82.7	64.1
Steel ingot production (Ala., Ark., Miss., Tenn.)[2] (1,000 net tons)	4,265	4,473	377	386	397	344	325	314	395	425	379	416	386	356	264
CONSTRUCTION															
Building contracts awarded, new and alterations combined[3] ($1,000)	2,757,645r	2,527,790	195,600	151,649	161,468	184,765	147,104	128,857	114,360	158,100	130,500	110,500	167,700	132,200	168,100
Residential	1,308,891r	983,019	87,700	70,462	85,764	89,711	74,344	54,889	50,532	50,900	64,900	66,200	53,300	66,800	70,100
Nonresidential	761,600r	669,862	39,500	45,541	41,023	78,704	61,793	36,454	29,970	75,600	53,400	25,900	40,600	34,800	55,100
Public works and utilities	687,154r	874,909	68,300	35,446	34,881	16,350	10,967	37,514	33,858	31,600	12,300	18,200	74,000	30,600	42,800
Cement consumption (1,000 net tons)	1,496r	1,247	122	100	132	88	131	97	75	78	84	70	102	94	.....
FINANCE															
Insurance sales, ordinary life ($1,000)	5,162,516r	5,761,035	512,417	492,023	507,071	442,191	509,814	470,033	490,011	455,207	468,723	561,812	564,697	556,909	.....
Savings in savings and loan associations[4] ($1,000,000)	3,775	4,079	3,939	3,954	3,963	3,998	4,030	4,051	4,079	4,081	4,106	4,142	4,154	.....	.....
Tax collections ($1,000)															
Total	1,477,673	1,646,078	101,688	154,192	140,304	131,403	144,879	153,430	91,938	158,740	157,974	117,070	159,144	179,450	112,617
Franchise	37,481	41,607	2,515	5,586	2,073	4,573	4,901	2,349	3,715	804	770	8,823	3,299	1,266	2,930
Gasoline (excl. aviation)	150,919	145,662	12,705	11,893	11,772	12,485	12,028	12,149	11,800	11,640	11,488	11,053	11,344	11,345	11,710
Income	493,972	569,697	25,573	54,075	59,467	29,447	45,495	66,747	8,157	49,745	78,908	31,492	57,445	97,189	30,197
Motor fuels	26,791	28,307	2,127	1,764	2,461	1,937	2,768	3,256	2,858	2,116	2,634	1,921	1,962	2,599	1,918
Sales	456,694	507,985	42,481	41,738	40,000	42,323	41,841	45,423	44,612	52,303	38,960	39,039	41,643	43,440	42,603
2.2% Gross receipts	25,861	28,555	.....	6,824	40	.....	7,839	91	26	7,750	137	28	7,576	272	.....
TVA electric	19,652	25,926	1,598	1,598	1,598	7,317	.....	3,883	1,942	1,942	1,942	1,942	1,942	.....	3,883
Tobacco	52,099	52,761	4,330	4,871	4,575	4,986	4,931	4,214	4,147	4,404	3,994	4,190	4,248	4,746	4,552
Use	51,435	57,383	655	9,732	4,121	393	9,280	4,465	827	11,052	3,338	600	10,091	4,352	1,452
Utility	79,978	94,022	4,640	10,280	8,041	8,549	8,512	5,146	8,039	11,515	9,355	9,772	9,314	8,403	7,674
PRICES															
Consumer Price Index, U.S.[5] (1967 = 100)															
All items	195.4	217.4	216.6	218.9	221.1	223.4	225.4	227.5	229.9	233.2	236.4	239.8	242.5	244.9	247.6
Food	211.4	234.5	235.4	236.9	236.3	237.1	238.2	239.1	241.7	243.8	244.9	247.3	249.1	250.4	252.0
Housing	202.8	227.6	225.5	228.4	231.5	234.6	237.7	240.8	243.6	247.3	250.5	254.5	257.9	261.7	266.7
Fuel and utilities	216.0	239.3	239.0	243.5	247.2	251.2	252.9	252.0	255.1	258.6	263.8	268.0	270.5	275.9	282.2
Apparel and upkeep	159.6	166.6	165.7	164.3	166.3	169.8	171.0	171.7	172.2	171.0	171.9	176.0	177.3	177.5	177.2
Transportation	185.5	212.0	212.6	216.6	219.6	221.4	222.7	224.9	227.7	233.5	239.6	243.7	246.8	249.0	249.7
Medical care	219.4	239.7	237.7	239.9	241.8	243.7	245.9	248.0	250.7	253.9	257.9	260.2	262.0	263.4	264.7
Energy	220.4	275.9	275.4	287.1	296.3	304.3	307.5	307.8	313.7	327.9	344.6	355.0	358.8	363.2	367.8
Producer Price Index, U.S.[6] (1967 = 100)															
All commodities	209.2	235.5	233.5	236.9	238.3	242.0	245.6	247.2	249.7	254.9	260.2	261.5	262.3	263.7	265.2
Industrial commodities	209.3	236.3	234.0	237.5	240.6	244.2	249.0	250.6	253.1	260.6	265.9	268.2	270.7	271.2	273.0
Index of prices received by Alabama farmers (1966-68 = 100)	206.0	229.0	228.0	221.0	212.0	221.0	207.0	218.0	224.0	228.0	233.0	222.0	212.0	213.0	219.0
Purchasing power of the dollar, U.S. (1967 = $1.000)															
As measured by															
Consumer prices	.512	.461	.462	.457	.452	.448	.444	.440	.435	.429	.423	.417	.412	.408	.404
Wholesale prices	.478	.425	.429	.423	.420	.414	.408	.405	.401	.393	.385	.382	.381	.379	.377
LABOR FORCE AND EMPLOYMENT[7]															
Civilian labor force (1,000 workers)	1,588.0r	1,625.0	1,646.8	1,657.8	1,632.6	1,647.6	1,656.6	1,638.3	1,632.0	1,608.1	1,614.7	1,618.1	1,619.4	1,639.5	1,632.5
Unemployment	101.0r	116.0	127.9	132.4	117.7	118.2	114.1	113.4	118.0	126.2	126.6	128.8	122.1	135.3	153.7
Unemployment rate	6.3r	7.1	7.8	8.0	7.2	7.2	6.9	6.9	7.2	7.9	7.8	8.0	7.5	8.3	9.4
Employment	1,487.0r	1,509.0	1,518.9	1,525.4	1,514.9	1,529.4	1,542.5	1,524.9	1,514.0	1,481.9	1,488.1	1,489.3	1,497.3	1,504.2	1,478.8
Nonagricultural	1,336.5r	1,362.8	1,366.6	1,369.8	1,363.8	1,370.8	1,378.1	1,377.9	1,378.2	1,362.2	1,364.1	1,362.8	1,365.2	1,360.0	1,344.8
Manufacturing	368.9r	374.6	376.4	375.6	375.7	375.0	375.7	373.8	372.6	371.1	370.6	370.0	368.8	362.1	359.7
Durable goods	180.2r	186.2	188.5	186.9	186.2	186.5	186.5	186.8	184.5	183.7	183.2	182.2	180.6	175.2	172.2
Lumber and wood products	30.2r	30.4	31.0	30.9	30.5	30.4	30.2	30.3	29.8	29.4	29.8	29.1	28.5	27.2	27.6
Stone, clay, glass products	10.8	10.7	10.7	10.7	10.8	10.8	10.8	10.7	10.6	10.5	10.4	10.5	10.4	10.4	10.3
Primary metals	44.6	44.5	45.8	45.2	44.7	44.3	43.5	43.2	42.7	42.9	42.6	42.2	41.8	40.1	38.3
Blast furn. and steel works	18.2r	18.1	18.7	18.6	18.4	18.1	17.1	16.9	17.1	17.1	17.1	17.0	16.7	15.1	13.6
Iron and steel foundries	14.8r	14.5	14.7	14.4	14.4	14.4	14.8	15.0	14.5	14.7	14.3	13.8	13.6	13.8	13.6
Fabricated metals	26.0r	26.0	25.9	25.5	26.1	26.3	26.5	26.5	26.1	25.6	25.6	25.6	25.7	25.3	24.9
Machinery (incl. electrical)	31.3r	34.6	35.4	34.9	34.3	34.4	34.6	34.8	34.8	34.6	34.2	34.1	33.6	33.0	32.8
Transportation	20.5r	23.5	23.2	23.0	23.4	23.8	24.4	24.6	24.3	24.4	24.5	24.7	24.5	23.7	23.0
Other durable goods	16.8r	16.5	16.5	16.7	16.4	16.5	16.5	16.7	16.2	16.3	16.1	16.0	16.1	15.5	15.3
Nondurable goods	188.7r	188.4	187.9	188.7	189.5	188.5	189.2	187.0	188.1	187.4	187.4	187.8	188.2	186.9	187.5
Food	27.6r	28.2	28.4	28.7	28.2	28.7	28.8	28.7	28.6	27.9	27.5	27.8	28.0	28.6	28.8
Textile mill products	45.6	44.2	43.7	43.5	43.9	43.7	43.7	43.8	43.7	43.6	43.7	43.8	44.2	42.8	33.3
Apparel	53.7r	52.8	53.2	51.9	53.2	53.1	53.6	52.3	52.5	52.5	52.5	52.8	52.6	52.6	53.0
Paper and allied products	19.7r	20.2	20.7	20.7	20.3	19.6	19.6	19.9	20.1	20.0	20.2	20.1	20.3	20.4	20.4
Printing and publishing	9.9	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.0	10.0	9.9	10.0	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.7	9.5	9.4
Chemicals and allied products	15.5r	16.2	16.6	16.6	16.6	16.3	16.4	16.5	16.4	16.6	16.6	16.5	16.6	16.4	16.2
Rubber products	13.5	14.0	12.5	14.5	14.6	14.4	14.5	13.1	14.2	14.2	14.3	14.2	14.2	14.0	13.8
Other nondurable goods	3.2	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.6
Nonmanufacturing	967.6r	988.2	990.2	994.2	988.1	995.8	1,002.4	1,004.1	1,005.6	991.1	993.5	992.8	996.4	997.9	985.1
Mining and quarrying	14.1r	16.7	16.9	16.8	17.0	17.1	17.0	17.3	17.2	17.3	17.1	17.1	17.2	17.2	17.3
Bituminous coal mining	10.2r	12.4	12.4	12.2	12.5	12.6	12.5	12.7	12.6	12.7	12.6	12.7	12.7	12.8	12.9
Contract construction	78.8r	75.4	79.4	79.4	78.8	78.4	77.6	76.3	73.2	66.5	65.6	66.3	68.0	67.9	67.6
Trans., comm., and utilities	69.8r	71.9	72.2	72.5	72.7	71.8	73.9	72.5	72.6	72.1	72.1	72.1	72.3	72.2	72.3
Trade	269.7r	275.8	275.3	275.6	276.2	277.2	277.7	280.8	285.7	279.8	278.0	277.3	277.6	276.7	275.6
Wholesale	71.9r	73.4	73.9	73.7	73.8	74.3	74.7	74.5	74.3	74.6	74.9	74.8	74.5	74.3	73.7
Retail	197.8r	202.4	201.4	201.9	202.4	202.9	203.0	206.3	211.4	205.2	203.1	202.5	203.1	202.4	201.9
Finance, insurance, real estate	57.5r	58.2	59.2	59.2	59.1	58.6	58.0	57.9	58.0	57.9	57.9	57.8	57.7	57.8	57.9
Service and miscellaneous	191.8r	198.2	199.0	199.6	200.2	200.6	200.8	200.5	201.2	200.1	200.6	200.7	200.9	200.9	200.3
Government	285.9r	292.0	288.2	291.1	284.1	292.1	297.4	298.8	297.7	297.4	302.2	301.5	302.7	305.2	294.1
Federal	64.0r	63.4	64.4	64.5	64.7	64.6	63.5	63.2	63.3	63.3	63.8	64.5	65.5	67.3	67.5
State and local	221.9r	228.6	223.8	226.6	219.4	227.5	233.9	235.6	234.4	234.1	238.4	237.0	237.2	237.9	226.6

GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS FOR ALABAMA—CONTINUED

Type of Activity	Annual		1979							1980					
	1978	1979	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June
LABOR FORCE AND EMPLOYMENT—CONTINUED															
Other employment activity															
State Employment Service *(number)*															
Job applications	269,276	308,002	32,953	28,365	29,456	23,414	26,961	21,359	17,189	30,688	25,279	26,810	27,088	31,627	.....
Nonagricultural placements	109,979	109,512	13,975	14,316	10,770	9,220	9,716	6,960	5,189	6,742	6,011	7,598	7,265	7,229	.....
Unemployment compensation															
Initial benefit claims *(number)*	297,194	410,044	29,457	47,001	29,322	28,397	29,851	28,970	33,604	71,648	28,398	32,100	39,477	47,209	.....
Payments *($1,000)*	107,482	134,185	9,818	11,599	11,927	9,535	11,344	10,608	11,310	16,501	13,852	12,990	13,702	14,844	.....
County data *(civilian labor force and unemployment rate)*															
Autauga	12,754	13,577	13,754	13,860	13,573	13,678	13,688	13,720	13,665	13,482	13,488	13,467	13,513	13,617	13,568
	6.5	6.8	6.5	7.0	5.7	6.1	6.0	6.5	6.2	7.0	6.8	6.5	7.0	7.8	9.4
Baldwin	29,408	30,260	30,821	30,901	30,045	29,990	31,433	30,852	30,708	30,296	30,249	30,026	30,052	30,288	30,707
	6.0	7.0	7.4	7.8	6.8	7.3	8.1	7.7	7.8	8.2	7.5	7.4	6.6	6.8	8.3
Barbour	11,180	11,310	11,448	11,397	11,592	11,867	11,638	11,176	11,108	10,741	10,693	10,809	11,093	10,970	10,998
	7.1	8.7	9.4	9.5	9.9	10.6	8.7	8.6	8.2	8.1	8.3	7.9	9.0	7.5	8.2
Bibb	5,124	5,185	5,155	5,185	5,175	5,180	5,187	5,213	5,213	5,044	5,092	4,993	4,938	5,171	5,305
	9.4	9.9	8.1	8.3	7.2	8.4	9.4	10.7	13.3	15.1	11.6	12.3	11.1	13.5	15.6
Blount	13,606	13,584	13,879	13,757	13,808	14,109	14,238	13,810	13,484	12,976	13,016	13,188	13,566	14,127	13,973
	5.8	6.6	6.9	6.7	6.3	6.2	6.6	6.6	7.0	7.7	7.6	7.5	7.4	8.4	10.0
Bullock	4,254	4,541	4,526	4,591	4,687	4,877	5,023	4,776	4,571	4,253	4,330	4,394	4,411	4,576	4,430
	7.0	8.5	10.1	10.0	9.3	8.8	9.4	9.3	9.0	7.8	8.0	8.5	7.5	8.3	13.9
Butler	8,373	8,474	8,451	8,765	8,253	8,602	8,745	8,673	8,445	8,174	8,273	8,305	8,216	8,399	8,323
	6.2	8.5	8.5	13.5	6.6	7.4	7.4	15.9	8.8	8.5	8.4	8.3	8.0	8.6	8.7
Calhoun	42,709	43,348	43,984	44,348	43,864	44,044	44,005	43,768	43,677	43,855	43,743	44,216	43,698	43,562	43,067
	7.3	7.8	8.7	9.2	7.5	7.5	7.2	7.3	7.8	9.1	9.1	9.8	8.6	8.4	9.6
Chambers	17,603	16,526	16,978	17,587	16,499	16,331	16,152	16,009	16,254	15,802	15,809	15,783	16,077	15,927	16,055
	5.3	9.1	10.1	14.4	9.9	9.3	8.5	8.0	9.3	8.2	8.1	7.5	6.4	6.5	7.3
Cherokee	9,432	9,708	9,600	9,652	9,812	10,193	10,422	10,026	9,835	9,367	9,602	10,087	10,092	10,275	9,920
	5.7	5.6	6.4	7.0	6.3	5.4	5.0	4.8	5.8	5.7	6.2	7.5	5.7	5.6	7.7
Chilton	11,931	12,270	12,430	12,262	12,380	12,545	12,500	12,301	12,092	11,845	11,921	11,978	11,952	12,087	12,049
	7.3	8.4	8.9	9.3	7.4	7.5	7.6	8.2	9.7	10.6	10.3	10.0	10.4	11.5	14.9
Choctaw	5,353	5,295	5,250	5,809	5,246	5,360	5,150	5,232	5,263	5,395	5,358	5,324	5,442	5,544	5,571
	7.2	8.1	7.9	15.6	6.7	7.3	6.3	7.0	6.9	8.0	7.9	7.1	7.6	8.8	10.1
Clarke	9,790	9,923	10,273	9,985	9,778	9,805	9,911	9,859	9,853	9,851	10,017	9,754	9,905	10,025	9,933
	8.2	8.0	9.4	10.4	7.3	7.8	7.9	7.6	7.0	7.6	8.1	7.5	9.8	10.7	10.9
Clay	5,674	5,709	5,695	5,748	5,617	5,733	5,876	5,521	5,510	5,455	5,446	5,537	5,790	6,330	6,203
	6.1	10.6	12.1	11.2	10.2	8.6	10.4	11.1	11.1	11.5	10.9	9.2	7.1	7.4	8.2
Cleburne	4,632	4,980	4,965	5,099	5,010	5,021	5,103	5,128	5,098	5,016	4,961	5,105	4,829	4,908	4,688
	5.0	6.0	5.8	6.0	7.2	4.5	5.1	5.9	6.6	8.1	7.5	9.4	6.0	7.0	7.6
Coffee	18,137	19,829	19,493	20,748	20,027	20,307	20,510	20,275	20,079	20,095	19,513	19,397	19,388	19,861	19,447
	4.9	5.1	5.4	7.2	4.8	4.6	4.2	4.7	4.9	9.6	6.4	6.2	5.1	8.6	7.1
Colbert	22,115	22,133	22,348	22,535	22,180	22,381	22,421	22,329	22,383	22,198	22,115	22,091	22,086	22,210	22,175
	7.2	8.3	7.9	8.5	8.4	8.5	8.5	9.9	10.8	12.4	11.3	10.7	10.6	11.1	12.0
Conecuh	6,584	7,110	7,196	7,225	7,326	7,398	7,321	7,196	6,925	7,092	6,878	7,067	7,134	7,111	7,144
	5.8	8.1	9.6	9.3	10.6	9.5	8.5	7.2	7.4	8.8	7.5	7.1	8.3	9.2	12.2
Coosa	4,839	5,205	5,212	5,306	5,275	5,276	5,286	5,247	5,229	5,369	5,411	5,281	5,293	5,505	5,475
	5.3	6.1	6.9	6.8	6.4	5.9	6.2	6.7	6.4	6.2	6.3	7.0	6.3	6.9	7.0
Covington	15,357	15,361	15,411	15,729	15,180	15,487	15,603	15,490	15,086	15,127	15,111	15,205	15,368	15,581	15,346
	5.7	6.3	6.1	8.2	5.2	4.9	4.6	5.2	4.9	7.6	6.5	6.1	6.2	6.6	7.1
Crenshaw	6,431	6,600	6,738	6,834	6,589	6,947	7,162	6,739	6,372	6,193	6,184	6,285	6,439	6,684	6,183
	5.4	6.1	6.1	10.6	5.7	4.9	4.7	7.1	6.1	7.9	7.5	7.6	7.6	8.0	7.8
Cullman	24,681	25,659	26,140	25,493	25,537	26,185	26,398	25,875	25,578	24,578	24,864	25,247	25,279	25,925	24,976
	6.5	7.7	7.9	7.5	8.5	7.1	7.7	7.9	9.2	9.0	10.2	10.3	8.5	9.5	11.3
Dale	10,171	10,806	10,801	11,016	11,018	11,192	11,301	11,182	10,997	11,001	11,154	11,316	11,435	11,640	11,517
	6.7	7.1	8.0	8.7	7.3	6.8	6.3	6.5	6.8	7.4	7.5	7.5	7.2	7.4	8.4
Dallas	20,769	21,521	21,767	22,793	21,885	21,793	21,870	21,642	21,497	21,023	21,316	21,425	21,651	22,069	22,553
	8.8	9.3	10.3	11.7	8.7	8.6	8.1	8.9	9.3	9.2	9.9	9.3	8.9	10.3	12.9
DeKalb	24,498	25,577	25,453	26,397	26,331	26,504	26,452	25,794	25,589	25,175	25,302	25,734	25,800	26,770	26,392
	6.0	6.2	6.3	6.8	5.8	6.2	5.7	5.8	6.2	7.1	7.3	7.6	6.8	9.6	9.3
Elmore	17,699	18,983	19,429	19,379	19,139	19,232	19,239	19,155	19,150	18,848	18,884	18,918	18,812	18,903	18,719
	4.8	5.5	6.1	5.7	5.2	5.3	5.2	5.1	5.1	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.2	5.8	6.9
Escambia	14,989	15,639	15,988	16,433	15,607	15,791	15,721	15,621	15,468	15,151	15,215	15,124	15,048	15,135	15,242
	6.8	8.6	9.2	11.9	8.5	8.0	7.7	7.8	8.0	8.2	8.3	7.9	7.1	7.9	10.0
Etowah	39,597	41,225	41,572	42,065	40,782	41,906	41,884	41,683	42,350	41,728	41,617	41,293	41,247	41,265	40,606
	7.0	7.5	7.7	7.7	6.7	7.8	7.6	7.4	8.9	9.1	9.4	9.0	8.5	9.3	9.8
Fayette	9,638	9,956	10,200	10,327	10,098	10,411	10,316	9,976	9,799	9,590	9,631	9,573	9,486	9,585	9,423
	6.0	6.4	6.9	7.5	5.5	6.4	5.7	5.5	6.5	7.4	7.3	7.5	7.7	8.3	9.5
Franklin	11,067	11,408	11,678	12,014	11,568	11,504	11,555	11,674	11,515	11,390	11,595	11,296	11,338	11,562	11,459
	7.7	8.7	9.3	10.2	7.7	7.4	7.3	10.3	12.2	13.4	14.6	12.2	11.6	13.9	14.3
Geneva	10,397	11,750	11,765	12,028	11,691	12,069	12,575	12,167	11,838	11,566	11,656	11,726	11,862	12,188	11,524
	6.2	5.3	5.6	6.7	4.5	4.1	4.5	4.1	4.5	5.5	5.6	5.1	5.3	6.2	5.9
Greene	4,332	4,047	4,139	4,205	4,096	4,181	4,131	3,915	3,765	3,715	3,767	3,734	3,779	3,869	3,690
	10.0	14.2	16.2	14.8	13.6	12.6	11.6	11.0	11.5	12.9	13.6	12.0	12.0	11.0	12.0
Hale	4,811	4,771	4,801	5,062	4,736	4,900	4,949	4,686	4,587	4,519	4,495	4,737	4,674	4,769	4,427
	10.6	12.4	10.9	14.8	10.5	12.2	11.4	11.7	14.0	15.0	14.0	15.9	13.5	13.8	15.9
Henry	6,776	6,762	6,640	6,837	6,595	7,125	7,291	6,904	6,620	6,305	6,485	6,590	6,899	7,040	6,660
	6.9	6.0	6.2	9.3	5.4	4.7	4.8	4.4	5.0	5.5	5.8	5.6	5.4	5.8	6.7
Houston	38,083	37,502	37,945	37,832	37,747	38,438	38,966	38,485	37,551	37,071	36,967	37,057	37,375	37,931	38,000
	5.3	5.5	5.8	6.7	5.3	4.9	4.8	5.0	4.9	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.5	5.5	6.5
Jackson	20,333	20,281	20,312	20,669	20,397	20,699	20,705	20,497	20,283	20,026	20,214	20,472	20,545	20,816	20,339
	6.9	8.1	7.7	8.5	8.3	8.1	8.2	8.6	8.9	10.0	10.2	9.9	9.0	11.1	11.2
Jefferson	302,793	301,639	304,562	305,175	301,910	305,714	305,693	304,788	307,380	300,838	301,555	302,850	303,305	305,393	307,214
	5.4	6.1	6.6	6.1	6.0	6.3	6.5	6.4	6.4	6.6	6.6	7.0	6.8	7.2	8.8
Lamar	7,949	8,192	8,028	8,109	8,085	8,223	8,282	8,146	8,105	7,948	7,865	7,935	7,901	7,897	7,551
	5.5	5.7	5.7	5.4	5.1	5.4	5.2	5.8	7.0	6.7	5.7	7.1	6.8	7.0	7.2
Lauderdale	32,496	34,141	34,914	35,058	34,423	34,740	34,781	34,312	34,166	33,599	33,804	33,886	33,899	33,651	33,639
	5.9	8.4	9.1	9.3	9.0	9.1	9.1	9.6	9.9	10.8	10.5	10.2	10.2	9.5	10.5
Lawrence	12,566	14,083	14,795	14,741	14,528	14,412	13,972	13,349	12,908	12,568	12,613	12,331	12,193	12,520	12,612
	7.3	8.7	8.1	8.8	9.4	8.4	8.7	9.5	10.8	11.6	12.1	12.5	12.4	12.3	13.7
Lee	31,733	31,500	31,969	31,405	31,292	30,895	32,031	32,133	32,272	32,278	33,111	33,061	32,824	33,126	32,790
	4.0	4.6	4.7	5.1	5.3	4.8	4.6	4.2	4.7	4.3	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.8	6.2
Limestone	19,819	20,504	20,711	20,954	20,664	20,879	21,053	20,830	20,910	20,530	20,677	20,565	20,560	20,887	20,996
	6.6	7.6	8.2	7.6	7.8	7.6	7.8	7.6	8.8	9.2	10.0	9.5	9.2	10.1	11.3
Lowndes	4,376	4,460	4,465	4,495	4,596	4,510	4,595	4,830	4,806	4,462	4,606	4,510	4,544	4,580	4,562
	7.4	9.0	9.3	10.3	8.9	8.2	8.3	8.9	9.4	11.3	12.6	12.3	11.6	11.1	13.9
Macon	7,231	7,394	7,457	7,550	7,536	7,585	7,625	7,384	7,369	7,288	7,273	7,297	7,287	7,359	7,323
	6.4	7.3	8.9	9.0	9.2	6.6	5.8	4.9	6.0	6.5	6.7	6.6	6.4	6.2	8.7
Madison	86,159	87,078	89,552	89,582	88,168	88,818	88,692	87,574	87,226	85,662	86,001	87,449	86,199	87,857	87,744
	6.1	7.0	9.2	7.6	7.6	7.2	6.5	6.1	6.5	7.0	7.5	9.0	7.5	8.7	9.3
Marengo	8,839	8,721	8,844	8,938	8,643	8,808	8,987	8,895	8,794	8,564	8,653	8,697	8,930	9,012	9,085
	6.8	7.7	8.1	10.0	6.8	7.9	7.5	7.8	7.3	8.1	9.0	8.8	10.1	8.6	10.2
Marion	11,612	12,064	12,107	12,405	11,955	12,084	12,104	12,204	11,974	11,921	11,910	12,121	11,615	12,010	11,693
	6.6	9.2	8.9	10.2	8.7	9.0	7.9	9.1	11.3	11.7	9.3	12.9	11.2	12.9	10.7
Marshall	27,349	28,816	29,099	29,704	28,757	29,159	29,344	29,149	29,093	28,810	28,827	28,907	28,728	29,643	29,669
	7.1	7.4	7.9	8.2	6.7	6.8	6.8	7.0	7.6	8.9	9.0	9.3	8.5	10.8	11.6
Mobile	149,460	150,035	154,193	153,655	151,063	151,338	154,325	149,933	148,785	146,896	147,504	146,320	147,433	148,167	150,942
	7.2	8.3	9.4	9.3	9.3	10.1	8.5	7.1	6.9	7.4	7.2	7.0	6.9	6.8	8.7

GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS FOR ALABAMA—CONTINUED

Type of Activity	Annual		1979							1980					
	1978	1979	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June
LABOR FORCE AND EMPLOYMENT—CONTINUED															
County data *(civilian labor force and unemployment rate)* —continued															
Monroe	11,134	10,663	10,853	10,902	10,843	10,813	10,793	10,617	10,427	10,331	10,223	10,154	10,238	10,222	10,273
	6.8	8.2	9.1	11.4	8.5	8.1	7.9	7.8	7.6	8.6	7.5	7.5	8.1	11.1	12.4
Montgomery	83,586	86,220	88,643	88,408	87,633	87,778	87,509	87,296	87,104	85,900	86,116	86,236	85,931	86,219	85,858
	5.5	5.7	6.7	6.2	6.1	5.9	5.5	5.6	5.4	6.1	6.2	6.2	6.0	6.4	8.0
Morgan	34,984	36,065	36,561	36,837	36,631	36,518	36,651	36,140	36,027	35,603	36,015	36,050	36,246	37,007	36,875
	6.5	7.3	7.8	7.8	8.2	7.2	7.2	7.3	7.6	8.9	9.9	9.7	9.4	10.9	13.5
Perry	4,610	4,821	4,808	5,057	4,874	4,929	4,990	5,040	4,873	4,750	4,779	4,799	4,827	5,034	4,965
	8.4	8.2	9.2	11.0	7.8	7.0	6.5	10.2	8.8	8.4	7.3	7.1	5.5	7.2	8.8
Pickens	8,101	7,953	8,140	8,280	8,063	7,963	7,945	7,815	7,838	7,762	7,814	7,791	7,537	7,964	7,621
	8.7	8.8	9.1	9.5	7.7	7.7	7.4	8.6	10.7	10.0	11.1	11.4	8.9	11.6	12.9
Pike	12,457	13,297	13,510	13,450	13,167	13,887	14,090	13,750	12,757	12,503	13,153	13,124	13,177	13,303	13,154
	5.2	4.8	5.6	6.4	5.2	4.2	3.8	4.0	4.6	5.5	5.2	5.7	5.1	5.8	7.7
Randolph	8,140	7,624	7,481	7,906	7,538	7,385	7,727	7,540	7,559	7,250	7,461	7,319	7,197	7,742	7,104
	10.4	10.5	10.9	15.5	9.0	8.4	8.8	8.6	9.0	8.4	12.1	10.5	7.7	11.6	9.8
Russell	18,407	17,511	17,706	17,774	17,672	17,672	17,557	17,620	17,559	17,456	17,460	17,514	17,398	17,582	17,675
	7.2	8.0	8.7	7.9	7.5	7.7	7.6	8.2	8.2	9.1	9.1	9.1	8.3	8.8	9.5
St. Clair	15,399	16,796	16,910	17,048	16,818	16,854	16,880	16,937	17,259	16,926	16,950	16,920	16,963	17,044	17,143
	4.9	5.9	6.0	6.1	5.8	5.1	5.4	6.0	6.9	7.3	7.3	7.0	6.9	7.2	8.7
Shelby	22,682	26,533	26,875	27,046	26,630	26,792	26,636	26,544	26,969	26,417	26,494	26,440	26,773	27,026	26,985
	6.5	5.8	6.6	6.4	6.0	5.7	5.3	5.2	5.8	6.2	6.2	6.0	6.8	7.5	8.3
Sumter	6,571	6,635	6,586	6,735	6,694	6,562	6,844	6,648	6,452	6,454	6,467	6,566	6,600	6,633	6,739
	5.9	6.9	6.4	7.7	8.8	7.0	7.0	7.6	6.6	7.0	7.4	8.4	12.1	9.2	12.0
Talladega	26,864	28,162	28,553	28,595	27,834	28,358	28,436	28,208	28,277	28,127	28,294	28,190	27,933	28,383	27,850
	8.3	10.4	11.3	12.3	10.6	10.3	10.0	10.3	11.3	12.0	12.2	12.4	11.3	11.9	12.5
Tallapoosa	16,081	15,638	15,899	15,899	15,780	15,558	15,659	15,681	15,786	16,105	16,241	16,169	16,083	16,387	16,653
	5.5	6.3	7.2	7.5	6.7	5.9	5.8	5.4	6.2	6.0	6.2	6.1	5.1	5.8	6.6
Tuscaloosa	51,592	51,589	51,244	51,162	51,496	51,635	52,043	52,039	51,123	51,991	52,133	52,303	51,892	52,455	50,970
	6.9	6.1	6.4	6.1	5.9	5.7	5.2	5.4	5.9	7.5	6.5	7.9	6.9	7.5	8.6
Walker	28,938	31,188	31,597	31,665	31,052	31,448	31,203	31,011	31,744	31,315	31,521	31,137	31,622	32,678	31,558
	6.8	8.4	9.1	8.7	7.8	8.1	7.6	7.2	8.6	9.5	9.9	8.7	9.8	12.5	10.4
Washington	5,654	6,138	5,933	6,347	6,254	6,388	6,448	6,389	6,249	6,213	6,375	6,453	6,356	6,457	6,446
	10.1	9.8	10.8	13.1	9.5	9.3	7.6	7.2	6.6	6.9	8.3	9.7	7.9	7.2	8.7
Wilcox	4,861	4,979	5,039	5,266	4,965	5,055	5,104	5,032	4,905	4,858	5,065	5,019	5,261	5,231	5,009
	7.1	9.6	9.8	14.7	9.2	8.8	8.2	8.8	7.7	8.6	11.1	9.2	12.0	10.3	11.9
Winston	7,432	7,746	7,653	7,776	7,889	7,781	7,847	7,862	7,846	7,493	7,381	7,466	7,458	7,824	7,734
	8.9	11.4	10.9	11.3	12.3	9.6	9.6	12.7	15.5	15.7	13.4	14.7	12.9	17.7	17.2
TRADE															
Foreign, through Port of Mobile															
Imports															
Value *($1,000)*	1,049,905	681,522	50,712	62,229	64,604	56,786	66,865	51,681	87,552	83,335	24,269	85,264	.....	.....	.....
Shipping weight *(1,000,000 lbs.)*	35,633	20,003	1,476	2,290	2,066	1,430	1,771	1,683	2,505	2,021	1,171	1,964	.....	.....	.....
Exports															
Value *($1,000)*	913,311	921,076	65,434	55,543	73,641	36,998	100,924	134,566	129,735	92,642	134,002	98,866	.....	.....	.....
Shipping weight *(1,000,000 lbs.)*	10,454	7,800	538	555	616	234	850	1,088	886	629	1,227	1,030	.....	.....	.....
Shipments by water, Port of Mobile[8] *(1,000 tons)*	34,783	37,953	3,181	3,874	3,279	2,248	3,496	3,313	3,874	3,602	3,980	4,654	2,841	3,200	.....
Domestic															
Electric energy consumption, non-industrial purposes *(1,000,000 kwh)*	22,495	21,905	1,679	2,022	2,208	2,146	1,551	1,507	1,802	2,021	1,991	1,850	1,511	1,411	.....
Gasoline sales[9] *(1,000 gallons)*	2,163,414	2,074,362	170,611	168,881	179,066	172,547	174,269	169,279	166,987	164,815	158,602	162,768	162,778	167,996	162,658
New passenger car registrations[10] *(number)*	176,113	161,661	12,639	13,196	15,088	10,340	14,362	11,008	12,547	11,361	11,707	12,571	9,550 p	9,190	.....
Retail sales by kind of business, state totals[11] *($1,000,000)*															
Food	2,686r	3,004	274	250	258	257	256	257	274	256	254	267	274	279	271
General stores with food and gas	187r	229	21	20	21	20	21	20	21	20	21	22	22	24	23
General merchandise	1,780r	1,928	149	140	157	146	158	198	284	122	132	153	130	134	149
Apparel	424r	457	34	33	38	35	39	41	64	32	30	38	38	37	32
Furniture, furnishings, etc.	461r	512	43	43	45	41	45	46	53	42	40	43	39	42	39
Automotive	2,696r	2,686	221	222	251	204	239	205	198	196	205	209	189	189	197
Gasoline service stations	889r	1,039	88	91	101	97	105	99	103	102	106	109	111	113	108
Lumber and building materials	840r	898	80	77	82	76	90	82	69	68	68	69	74	73	74
Hardware and farm implements	421r	419	37	32	38	34	42	34	33	28	29	33	34	35	35
Eating places	779r	896	77	77	82	74	78	76	81	74	74	80	79	82	76
Drug stores	362r	407	33	32	33	32	35	34	43	35	37	37	37	40	37
All other retail	1,909r	2,137	179	162	183	166	195	181	214	169	173	183	196	189	175
Total sales by retail concerns	13,454r	14,612	1,234	1,180	1,289	1,181	1,302	1,273	1,436	1,145	1,168	1,243	1,225	1,237	1,217
Nonretail and unclassified concerns	4,009r	4,514	370	363	399	371	407	385	416	391	388	413	406	386	415
Total all sales at retail	17,464r	19,126	1,604	1,544	1,688	1,552	1,709	1,658	1,852	1,536	1,557	1,657	1,631	1,624	1,631
Retail sales, Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas and counties[11] *($1,000)*															
SMSAs															
Anniston	366,981r	385,147	33,445	31,690	35,265	30,893	32,878	32,268	36,825	28,873	29,992	31,167	31,824	31,935	30,970
Birmingham	4,817,700r	5,401,870	454,227	434,540	476,196	442,564	482,455	458,215	517,942	433,237	438,134	472,438	473,889	462,132	461,187
Florence	465,764r	503,981	41,742	39,889	44,869	42,056	44,957	42,830	48,908	37,968	38,917	40,862	42,029	41,713	36,424
Gadsden	371,066r	401,373	33,972	32,785	36,593	33,346	35,345	33,643	35,104	31,527	30,186	32,956	32,593	32,479	30,478
Huntsville	1,104,584r	1,172,070	99,068	96,928	104,089	95,209	102,337	98,363	105,385	92,418	90,834	98,107	97,874	100,178	96,116
Mobile	1,756,346r	1,862,196	152,583	149,849	159,778	139,235	184,538	177,866	190,725	171,592	167,443	178,333	173,936	177,254	172,882
Montgomery	1,100,416r	1,194,939	97,561	96,370	104,015	93,659	100,523	96,627	103,266	89,887	94,976	98,185	95,421	95,093	91,757
Tuscaloosa	465,709r	502,857	42,144	40,204	44,234	42,096	45,873	43,373	46,808	39,642	39,846	41,237	40,695	41,427	40,822
Counties															
Autauga	83,924r	89,608	7,688	7,159	7,848	7,114	7,761	7,191	7,731	6,987	7,613	7,882	6,764	7,208	7,207
Baldwin	270,136r	298,158	27,813	25,053	26,049	21,301	27,737	26,067	27,580	25,490	27,141	27,833	27,711	29,449	30,035
Barbour	56,184r	59,776	5,209	4,691	5,100	4,664	5,284	5,080	5,653	4,698	4,801	4,865	5,538	5,821	4,952
Bibb	27,318r	28,783	2,593	2,391	2,706	2,442	2,742	2,579	2,653	2,259	2,186	2,343	2,298	2,166	2,143
Blount	76,733r	83,228	8,251	7,483	7,520	7,041	7,556	6,320	7,050	5,849	6,348	6,269	7,397	7,269	6,653
Bullock	24,931r	27,756	2,408	2,349	2,358	2,436	2,306	2,413	2,835	2,314	2,415	2,483	2,667	2,511	2,568
Butler	57,561r	61,472	5,432	4,924	5,432	4,781	5,583	5,093	5,701	5,087	5,176	5,060	5,177	4,927	5,314
Calhoun	366,981r	385,147	33,445	31,690	35,265	30,893	32,878	32,268	36,825	28,873	29,992	31,167	31,824	31,935	30,970
Chambers	69,142r	82,689	7,323	7,224	7,731	6,957	7,618	7,118	7,097	7,004	7,079	7,549	7,363	7,644	7,284
Cherokee	44,491r	50,318	4,624	3,915	4,255	3,944	4,737	3,870	4,222	3,817	3,769	4,230	4,156	4,411	4,138
Chilton	72,540r	79,196	7,095	6,596	7,004	6,457	6,855	6,353	7,003	6,032	6,112	6,592	6,853	6,934	6,719
Choctaw	37,357r	42,740	3,657	3,486	3,812	3,427	3,879	3,738	4,273	3,796	3,822	3,835	3,797	4,006	3,727
Clarke	88,217r	94,608	8,195	7,699	8,299	7,770	8,775	8,124	9,138	7,430	7,343	7,485	7,534	7,792	7,564
Clay	25,631r	26,110	2,237	2,139	2,176	2,165	2,321	2,249	2,370	2,115	2,204	2,107	2,233	2,215	2,127
Cleburne	18,943r	19,802	1,807	1,601	1,719	1,493	1,821	1,664	1,689	1,574	1,695	1,705	1,697	1,774	1,621
Coffee	127,898r	143,553	11,751	11,926	12,929	11,872	12,838	11,379	11,314	10,490	11,208	10,640	10,806	11,253	10,060

GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS FOR ALABAMA—CONTINUED

Type of Activity	Annual		1979							1980					
	1978	1979	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June
TRADE—CONTINUED															
Retail sales, SMSAs and counties—continued															
Counties—continued															
Colbert	223,238r	252,294	21,129	20,178	23,256	21,504	22,785	20,427	22,460	20,035	18,989	19,858	20,921	20,300	16,518
Conecuh	38,554r	36,470	2,939	2,966	3,074	3,024	3,320	3,171	3,168	2,623	3,035	3,017	3,031	3,275	2,890
Coosa	14,883r	16,427	1,377	1,357	1,531	1,356	1,432	1,424	1,710	1,528	1,650	1,751	1,837	1,774	1,847
Covington	126,039r	131,731	11,385	10,766	11,847	10,965	11,980	10,885	11,582	10,478	10,984	10,920	11,403	11,797	10,461
Crenshaw	31,293r	33,242	2,857	2,916	2,923	2,589	2,855	2,792	2,750	2,632	2,682	2,590	2,996	3,233	2,867
Cullman	215,733r	250,530	22,496	20,648	22,600	20,846	22,557	21,636	22,369	20,410	19,230	21,026	20,976	22,056	19,464
Dale	74,964r	82,879	7,183	7,011	7,586	6,709	7,263	7,039	7,619	6,935	7,261	7,841	7,615	7,622	6,925
Dallas	191,243r	209,651	18,595	16,639	18,957	16,633	18,112	17,035	18,797	16,279	16,398	17,015	17,537	17,703	16,382
DeKalb	147,402r	156,475	13,312	13,417	14,147	13,035	13,993	12,928	13,619	11,573	11,726	13,470	13,506	14,079	12,929
Elmore	78,207r	84,205	7,611	6,910	7,750	6,918	7,238	7,171	7,320	6,397	6,477	7,150	6,989	7,060	6,871
Escambia	142,271r	148,204	12,706	11,520	13,259	11,818	14,638	12,989	13,272	11,394	12,192	12,071	12,539	13,076	12,589
Etowah	371,066r	401,373	33,972	32,785	36,593	33,346	35,345	33,643	35,104	31,527	30,186	32,956	32,593	32,479	30,478
Fayette	89,826r	97,712	8,464	8,025	9,562	8,403	8,361	8,300	8,904	7,160	7,037	7,718	8,188	8,801	8,740
Franklin	86,216r	89,149	7,824	7,141	7,893	7,249	7,993	7,110	7,775	6,387	6,511	7,309	7,574	8,275	7,716
Geneva	96,111r	107,778	9,186	8,775	9,232	9,192	9,377	9,040	9,450	8,281	9,319	9,018	9,391	9,805	9,076
Greene	19,552r	19,966	1,847	1,662	1,719	1,528	1,884	1,682	1,778	1,473	1,584	1,746	1,792	1,892	1,791
Hale	30,520r	33,199	3,026	2,521	2,793	2,727	2,921	2,945	3,087	2,512	2,789	2,944	2,912	2,981	3,312
Henry	43,919r	45,563	4,031	3,458	3,903	3,924	3,859	3,662	3,458	3,076	3,310	3,464	3,412	3,730	3,501
Houston	394,990r	430,091	36,879	35,861	39,568	34,876	37,191	35,202	39,206	33,695	34,522	34,489	32,591	34,511	34,742
Jackson	147,841r	156,890	13,749	13,011	13,832	12,806	14,397	12,546	13,499	11,171	11,567	12,251	13,367	13,236	13,038
Jefferson	4,271,228r	4,806,087	401,409	385,557	422,866	394,120	429,678	409,285	466,414	384,921	389,442	423,552	425,528	412,551	413,302
Lamar	30,079r	33,369	2,902	2,660	2,834	2,758	2,911	2,771	3,036	2,637	2,547	2,628	2,914	2,973	2,841
Lauderdale	242,526r	251,687	20,613	19,711	21,613	20,552	22,172	22,403	26,448	17,933	19,928	21,004	21,108	21,413	19,906
Lawrence	52,876r	58,301	5,291	4,560	4,839	4,653	5,151	4,709	5,453	4,295	4,408	4,828	5,327	5,428	5,123
Lee	247,896r	268,655	22,482	20,824	23,384	22,049	24,384	24,552	24,235	23,283	23,764	23,545	23,690	24,634	24,257
Limestone	127,321r	137,881	12,097	11,250	11,699	11,618	12,396	11,439	12,589	10,410	10,332	11,928	12,143	11,693	11,592
Lowndes	20,442r	23,347	2,170	1,881	1,996	1,860	2,060	2,124	2,097	1,629	1,597	1,875	1,662	1,823	1,692
Macon	39,025r	42,695	3,791	3,576	3,970	3,363	3,765	3,622	3,568	3,153	3,234	3,415	3,720	3,684	3,715
Madison	707,995r	746,699	61,780	61,245	67,081	60,022	64,676	63,581	67,892	59,812	58,770	63,086	63,687	65,449	62,494
Marengo	72,809r	79,030	6,835	6,553	7,061	6,115	7,211	6,379	7,477	6,447	6,133	6,360	6,686	7,721	7,185
Marion	64,794r	70,551	5,924	5,727	6,203	6,015	6,426	5,775	6,260	5,220	5,543	6,088	5,464	5,845	5,496
Marshall	269,268r	287,490	25,191	24,433	25,309	23,569	25,265	23,343	24,904	22,196	21,732	23,093	22,044	23,036	22,030
Mobile	1,486,210r	1,564,038	124,770	124,796	133,729	117,934	156,801	151,799	163,145	146,102	140,302	150,500	146,225	147,805	142,847
Monroe	83,020r	99,191	7,882	6,805	8,315	7,615	8,445	7,355	7,284	6,812	7,461	7,042	7,041	7,431	6,960
Montgomery	938,285r	1,021,126	82,262	82,301	88,417	79,627	85,524	82,265	88,215	76,503	80,886	83,153	81,668	80,825	77,679
Morgan	465,901r	435,939	39,323	36,069	40,024	36,265	40,238	35,510	38,506	37,508	35,842	38,823	41,295	41,342	38,400
Perry	28,093r	30,752	2,614	2,545	2,773	2,548	2,756	2,684	2,720	2,300	2,347	2,564	2,306	2,625	2,501
Pickens	47,696r	50,915	4,933	4,082	4,422	3,927	4,514	4,346	4,428	3,762	4,216	4,306	4,634	4,614	4,509
Pike	87,459r	91,856	8,019	7,120	8,154	7,378	8,531	7,463	7,534	6,884	6,938	7,224	7,407	7,744	6,826
Randolph	52,090r	51,178	4,489	3,781	4,022	4,119	4,339	4,259	5,029	4,180	4,300	4,336	4,237	4,202	4,084
Russell	82,016r	85,485	7,579	7,074	7,512	6,931	7,540	7,090	7,461	6,812	7,092	7,463	7,698	7,432	7,179
St. Clair	93,885r	107,685	10,003	9,420	10,391	9,585	9,275	8,736	8,295	7,962	8,476	8,272	8,319	9,510	8,482
Shelby	229,211r	247,820	22,591	20,221	21,737	19,988	22,832	20,129	21,080	20,205	20,100	20,259	20,448	19,833	19,429
Sumter	30,464r	33,528	3,000	2,803	2,959	2,825	3,083	2,875	3,126	2,799	2,794	2,736	2,836	2,844	2,781
Talladega	184,283r	200,316	17,234	16,653	18,801	16,408	17,485	16,501	18,234	16,462	17,175	17,995	17,474	17,683	16,714
Tallapoosa	115,890r	118,813	10,526	9,737	10,542	9,682	10,242	10,348	11,455	9,916	10,345	10,920	11,017	11,604	11,591
Tuscaloosa	465,709r	502,857	42,144	40,204	44,234	42,096	45,873	43,373	46,808	39,642	39,846	41,237	40,695	41,427	40,822
Walker	223,376r	240,278	20,224	19,342	21,202	18,871	20,670	20,065	22,153	20,149	20,116	20,355	19,594	20,238	19,974
Washington	23,053r	27,358	2,239	1,983	2,381	2,357	2,764	2,641	2,648	2,556	2,544	2,488	2,726	2,905	2,610
Wilcox	29,471r	31,495	2,946	2,524	2,690	2,569	2,729	2,788	2,842	2,412	2,708	2,631	2,643	3,019	2,643
Winston	57,400r	60,386	5,264	4,998	5,411	5,098	5,223	4,850	4,868	4,442	4,510	4,600	5,136	5,088	4,738
Statewide [1]	2,581,908r	2,961,989	235,050	235,180	259,233	245,736	256,243	279,889	345,774	236,992	244,894	267,797	238,819	224,168	275,673
BUILDING ACTIVITY IN SELECTED ALABAMA CITIES[2]															
Anniston															
Building permits ($1,000)															
Total	10,003	15,714	1,195	415	1,247	6,887	467	258	1,146	619	323	1,027	1,100	1,533	905
Residential	5,366	5,316	238	220	363	2,972	110	35	50	99	177	121	181	1,230	128
Nonresidential	3,482	9,038	866	109	734	3,848	242	78	991	10	70	718	678	151	429
Birmingham															
Building permits ($1,000)															
Total	115,704	133,537	10,367	12,367	10,880	15,068	9,276	15,453	4,742	7,222	8,053	19,588	5,916	10,475	24,812
Residential	30,517	39,187	1,964	2,117	2,620	9,392	895	9,661	683	618	938	1,097	1,021	677	2,166
Nonresidential	38,577	26,260	839	3,692	4,368	1,018	2,279	1,269	2,259	1,659	2,194	182	430	1,416	15,598
Decatur															
Building permits ($1,000)															
Total	49,063	48,728	5,397	5,103	5,524	5,719	5,589	4,160	3,478	3,429	3,544	3,198	4,782	4,426	4,383
Residential	14,710	13,588	1,366	1,269	1,438	1,697	1,366	1,077	768	862	879	1,044	1,250	954	1,475
Nonresidential	32,950	33,606	3,860	3,661	3,909	3,874	4,049	2,952	2,614	2,444	2,537	1,997	3,348	3,292	2,717
Dothan															
Building permits ($1,000)															
Total	17,171	28,431	2,923	2,190	1,332	2,846	2,864	3,473	418	1,086	1,504	1,943	2,099	1,293	1,861
Residential	7,434	11,655	1,766	497	936	575	475	1,779	228	637	456	257	1,513	427	515
Nonresidential	7,194	13,448	808	1,408	218	2,098	1,850	1,260	64	254	760	1,369	328	432	309
Gadsden															
Building permits ($1,000)															
Total	16,498	13,488	1,101	1,027	1,158	760	991	1,695	284	887	457	93	948	567	536
Residential	5,904	5,261	559	445	548	242	560	635	100	493	118	48	407	173	92
Nonresidential	8,588	5,309	298	335	364	290	187	870	11	178	14	6	242	17	52
Huntsville															
Building permits ($1,000)															
Total	60,331	52,811	5,765	6,542	1,786	3,878	3,358	4,022	1,646	1,557	17,622	3,905	2,848	3,300	7,030
Residential	29,097	15,993	1,842	1,164	1,178	2,757	1,492	679	352	336	1,313	909	972	1,376	1,185
Nonresidential	25,497	30,252	3,545	4,873	608	602	1,188	2,734	821	781	15,779	956	1,211	395	4,731
Mobile															
Building permits ($1,000)															
Total	78,754	85,472	10,520	5,352	8,960	3,280	10,475	5,341	5,898	8,300	16,175	6,508	11,007	38,659	4,965
Residential	25,381	24,430	4,470	832	5,207	876	1,721	660	622	2,093	999	857	1,028	861	1,048
Nonresidential	41,272	36,847	4,864	3,532	2,247	525	1,549	724	2,893	3,840	12,905	2,678	7,994	25,186	1,544
Montgomery															
Building permits ($1,000)															
Total	88,523	84,898	14,798	5,020	8,714	4,825	2,836	5,327	1,700	5,843	6,945	6,565	4,847	3,918	8,594
Residential	42,252	45,335	10,046	2,293	5,862	2,455	1,340	1,490	578	3,271	2,246	3,224	1,624	2,510	6,767
Nonresidential	36,716	29,442	3,856	1,808	1,904	1,539	501	3,004	96	1,729	2,211	2,176	2,337	362	710

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Type of Activity	Annual		1979							1980					
	1978	1979	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June
BUILDING ACTIVITY IN SELECTED ALABAMA CITIES —CONTINUED															
Quad-Cities[13]															
Building permits ($1,000)															
Total	34,412	25,180	2,146	1,818	2,244	1,638	3,378	1,216	1,779	1,234	2,106	9,124	869	3,183	6,680
Residential	16,330	15,725	1,216	871	1,463	1,051	2,672	836	250	300	521	1,048	647	2,811	6,107
Nonresidential	15,011	5,842	658	755	278	128	329	94	1,450	647	1,432	7,729	.....	132	267
Selma															
Building permits ($1,000)															
Total	6,474	7,041	538	650	703	576	552	198	989	867	292	638	257	698	518
Residential	1,765	3,368	234	429	270	212	160	62	503	80	138	158	85	147	162
Nonresidential	3,296	1,864	92	59	160	262	200	.....	435	36	.....	.....	15	264	.....
Tuscaloosa															
Building permits ($1,000)															
Total	29,257	32,021	2,737	6,555	5,474	3,147	3,744	677	762	595	3,180	1,508	1,584	1,991	3,287
Residential	16,549	12,622	2,221	793	1,046	699	1,314	442	388	277	1,433	288	315	608	781
Nonresidential	8,916	15,913	103	5,485	4,112	25	2,050	10	84	178	1,609	813	764	954	2,214

NOTE: A complete listing of data sources is available in the October 1979 issue of *Alabama Business*. Throughout this table, details do not necessarily add to totals due to rounding. For cement, coke, and crude oil, individual months may not add to annual totals due to late revisions in annual data. r Revised.

[1] Estimated total for calendar month based on adjustment of weekly data. [2] Alabama has more than 90% of total capacity in the four-state area. [3] These data may not be reused in any manner without the express permission of F. W. Dodge Div., McGraw-Hill Information Co. [4] End-of-month balance.

[5] Beginning January 1978, the Consumer Price Index consists of "All Urban Consumers." Prior to that date, it included only "Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers." Historical data will not be available due to the change in coverage. No "Energy" data are available prior to 1978, and "Housing" data prior to January 1978 are not comparable to the new "Housing" series due to a change in definition.

[6] These data were previously presented as the "Wholesale Price Index." The new title more accurately reflects the coverage of the data.

[7] Civilian labor force, unemployment, and total employment are adjusted by place of residence, and total nonagricultural employment and its components are by place of work. Annual data are monthly averages. Data for the latest month are preliminary and will be revised in the following issue. All data are adjusted to a March 1979 benchmark.

[8] Includes both inbound and outbound shipments by water moving through private facilities as well as through the Alabama State Docks; excludes tonnage for military installations.

[9] Excludes sales to federal government. [10] These data may not be reused in any manner without the express permission of R. L. Polk and Company.

[11] Retail sales data represent sales at retail as reported to the Alabama Department of Revenue under the definition of the Alabama Sales Tax Law. Total sales figures include sales at retail by wholesalers and other nonretail firms as well as retail concerns. Sales at retail thus defined should not be confused with all sales (including nonretail sales) by retail concerns as reported in the *Census of Retail Trade*. **Monthly sales figures are preliminary and subject to revision on a continuing basis. Sales figures for the two latest months are normally low because they do not yet include data from late reporters. Retail sales historical data prior to 1976 are not available for the new series. The "Statewide" category in the "County" section provides sales figures which are not attributable to individual counties; it does not represent a state total.**

[12] Private construction only. May be partially estimated by the Bureau of the Census. "Total" construction includes additions and alternations, therefore, is not a sum of residential and nonresidential. [13] Quad-Cities consists of Florence, Muscle Shoals, Sheffield, and Tuscumbia.

Institute for Women Executives

A new program recently has been established at The University of Alabama to assist women in obtaining executive, managerial, and administrative positions within business, industry, and government. This program, the Institute for Women Executives, will address three major needs of women in management: 1) provision of necessary education or training; 2) participation in practical on-the-job experiences; and 3) development of positive attitudes about themselves. Organizations that sponsor a participant may anticipate the development of a skilled, experienced, and capable woman in the organizational structure who will possess the ability to assume a top-level position. The sponsoring organizations can expect both increased productivity and improved professional attitudes as a result of their trainee's participation in the Institute and her subsequent influence within the organization.

Participants in the IWE sessions will be designated as "fellows" and the goals of the Institute will be met by involving participants in three intensive training sessions held periodically during a year-long learning experience. Training sessions will be conducted on The University of Alabama campus and will focus on quantitative skills, general management and leadership skills, and personal development. The training session planned for the mid-point of the program will be held in Washington, D.C., where participants will learn first-hand about the inter-workings of business and government. Each of the training sessions will be conducted by experts, including nationally recognized authorities in the areas.

In addition, "in-house" training will provide the experiences and opportunities necessary for advancement in management as well as the benefits of a mentor-participant relationship with an executive in the organization. During this cooperative experience, trainees will be visited at their places of employment by Institute staff members to ensure direct application of new skills training and to provide assistance with any concerns which may arise in the work situation.

The first Institute class will commence in March 1981 and will consist of approximately 25 women in business, industry, and government, primarily from the southeastern region of the United States. A second class will begin in October 1981.

The Institute is an interdisciplinary program of the University and is being directed by Ms. Marie Panger. For additional information please call (205) 348-5793 or write: The Institute for Women Executives, P.O. Box 6382, University, AL 35486.

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The Economy in Perspective:

Focus on Franklin County

Franklin County, located in northwestern Alabama, on the southern edge of the Tennessee Valley, enjoys a mixture of rural and urban economic life which is typical of Alabama. According to the most recent available personal income estimates, incomes paid to proprietors and workers in Franklin County in 1978 totaled $87.5 million, an increase of 20% over 1977. Farming generated 5% of this total, and manufacturing activity generated an additional 39%. As sources of personal income, both the county's farming and manufacturing are above the state average. However, the impact of trade, services, and government on personal income in Franklin County is below the state average.

A significant number of Franklin County residents derive their income outside the county. In 1978, 35% of net proprietors' and workers' incomes received by Franklin County residents was earned outside the county. This is an increase from 28% in 1970.

Just as Franklin County residents earn much of their income elsewhere, they also make a significant part of their consumption expenditures outside the county. The northwestern area of Alabama is a highly integrated economic unit. Industries in the Florence, Muscle Shoals, and Tuscumbia area provide jobs for workers from all of the surrounding counties. The Shoals area also provides a market center for retail trade and services. The intercounty flow of economic activity in northwest Alabama implies that differences in local taxes and business-related policies can have a significant effect of the location and growth of economic activity.

The large number of Franklin County residents working outside the county partially explains the recent sharp rise in the Franklin County unemployment rate. In June 1980, the unemployment rate in Franklin County was estimated at 14.3%. This rate was almost double the 7.3% unemployment rate of October 1979. More importantly, the June unemployment rate in Franklin County was significantly higher than the statewide unemployment rate of 9.4% for the same month. In absolute numbers, the amount of unemployment in Franklin County rose from 851 persons in October 1979 to 1,639 persons out of work in June 1980.

The current recession appears to have affected Franklin County more severely than it has some parts of the state. However, the rise in unemployment in Franklin County is not solely a matter of shutdowns and lost jobs within the county itself. Franklin County feels the impact of economic problems in the larger and relatively more industrialized adjacent counties. For example, when a Franklin County resident who works in Colbert County loses his job, he is counted as unemployed in Franklin County. Because of differences in population and labor force, a relatively small number of jobs lost in one county can thus have a relatively large impact on the percentage unemployment rate in an adjacent county.

According to the 1974 U.S. Census of Agriculture, Franklin County had 1,183 farming operations, involving just over 1.5 million acres. Of the 1,183 farms, however, only 308 had sales of products exceeding $10,000 in the survey year. Twelve Alabama counties had more large-scale ($10,000 sales) farming operations. Nevertheless, although the total number of farm operations in Franklin County has experienced a slow decline during the past 20 years, the number of large-scale operations has increased. Much of the agricultural growth in the county has been in the livestock and poultry industries. In fact, 82% of all Franklin County farm sales in 1977 were in the livestock / poultry category.

Forestry is also a significant industry in Franklin County. The county is 70% forest land, and the area is particularly significant in the production of hardwood lumber.

Despite the recent disproportionate rise in unemployment, the economic outlook for Franklin County is good. The effect of the current recession should be only transitory. Franklin County has experienced strong growth in personal income and employment in the past. With the existing mix of agriculture and industry and the strong growth pull of the adjacent counties, the long-run trend should continue.

—**Ronald Bird**

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